

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

744 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814



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ALL COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE NO. I-04-92

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: AMERICAN OSTEOPATHIC ASSOCIATION "CARE-A-VANS"

The State Department of Social Services (SDSS) has been asked by the American Osteopathic Association (AOA) to help notify local agencies that the AOA is dispatching mobile medical units, called "Care-A-Vans," to provide free basic healthcare screening in specified areas of the country.

The mobile units will be in California in February and March at various locations on specified dates. Please refer to the attached copy of the letter sent by the AOA for the dates and places the van will visit, and the tests which will be performed.

You may wish to provide the above information to local agencies and centers frequented by potential medically needy individuals who may choose to take advantage of the free service offered by the AOA. Flyers about the mobile units will later be sent to Counties by the AOA.

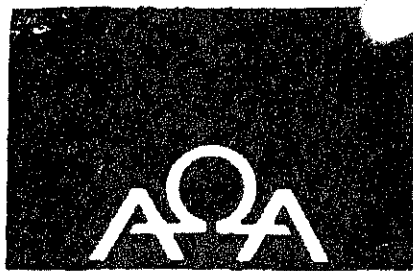
Thank you for your assistance.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Loren D. Suter", is positioned above the typed name.

LOREN D. SUTER
Deputy Director
Adult and Family Services

Enclosure

cc: CWDA



NEWS

AMERICAN OSTEOPATHIC ASSOCIATION

Dear Colleague:

In 1992, the osteopathic medical profession will celebrate its centennial -- "Osteopathic Medicine: a Century of Making A Difference."

To celebrate 100 years of providing compassionate healthcare, the American Osteopathic Association (AOA) is giving a gift of service to the nation. The AOA is dispatching mobile medical units, called Care-A-Vans, to provide basic healthcare screening in areas of the country that are desperately in need of medical attention. The following tests will be performed:

Height	Vision
Weight	Nutrition
Blood Pressure	Structural Evaluation
Pulmonary Function	Blood Sugar
Cholesterol	Eye, Ears, Nose and Throat

These vans will be staffed by volunteer osteopathic physicians and students and will travel throughout the 48 contiguous states. The volunteers will also be collecting information for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to develop a more comprehensive picture of the medically underserved.

The van will be coming to California in February and March. The tentative schedule is as follows:

Feb. 12-13	Downtown Los Angeles
Feb. 14-15	East Los Angeles
Feb. 18-19	Pomona
Feb. 21-23	San Diego
Feb. 26-28	Long Beach
March 3-4	Fresno
March 6-7	Salinas
March 9-10	San Jose and/or Fremont
March 11-12	Sacramento

We would appreciate it if you would join us in our efforts to notify individuals in need of this free service. To do so, please mail or fax the addresses and names of contact persons of United Way agencies, social service groups, senior centers, homeless shelters, etc. to me at the AOA. I will then mail each of these organizations a flyer about the Care-A-Van.